

Catalogue of GSGS points*

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For **training**: 1 GSGS point = 4 hours of work (10 points per full week)

For other activities GSGS point are arbitrary

Collected by/ via	Activity	fixed # points	key to # points	Discretion StCom [min-max]	Proof or evidence to be provided
Networking					
Attendance and presentation					
GSGS	attendance of Cologne Geosciences Colloquium (CGC)	0.5 per colloquium			Sign attendance list
GSGS	attendance of a GSGS research conference	2			Sign attendance list
GSGS	presenting a voluntary poster at GSGS research conference	2			
GSGS	give a presentation at a GSGS research conference	4			
Activ. Form (ActF)	oral or poster presentation at national or international conference or symposium	2			Acceptance note
ActF	presentation in seminar outside own university (at own univ. and outside own institute on request)	2			E-mail from organiser or url of the announcement
ActF	providing significant training in organised training or workshop in other than own institute (level for doctoral candidates and up)			[0.5 - 2]	E-mail from organiser or url of the announcement
Organisation					
GSGS	co-organising GSGS Research Conference	10			Ca. 6-10 doctoral candidates per year
GSGS	organising the invitation of an (international) guest speaker (CGC or GSGS event)	5			Individual (apply by sending an email to the GSGS office)
ActF	other networking activities on request (will be discussed in StCom)			[0.5 - 5]	Attendance confirmation from organiser; for >0.5 points, explanation from advisor needed

Training (GSGS or elsewhere)		#D= number of event days; 1 day = ca. 8 h	#P= number of preparation days
Transferable skills training			
GSGS/ActF	Academic writing skills	((#D + #P)*2)	Proof of attendance and of the hours of workload involved. Do not report GSGS-organized training events; attendance is logged directly on the GSGS database.
GSGS/ActF	Presentation techniques / rhetorics		
GSGS/ActF	University didactics and teaching methods		
GSGS/ActF	Navigating the review process		
GSGS/ActF	Literature research		
GSGS/ActF	Proposal writing		
GSGS/ActF	Time/ project/ self management		
GSGS/ActF	Gender mainstreaming		
GSGS/ActF	Career planning and orientation		
GSGS/ActF	Other transferable skills training topics on request	ca. ((#D + #P)*2)	
Language training			
ActF	German for speakers of other languages	((#D + #P)*2)	Max. 10 points in total for language courses
ActF	English for speakers of other languages		
ActF	Other languages (e.g. needed for fieldwork)	ca. '((#D + #P)*2)	Explanation from advisor
Technical / methods training			
GSGS/ActF	Technical / methods skills	((#D + #P)*2)	
GSGS/ActF	Computer language/ programming		

Scientific publications			
Submission of a peer-reviewed scientific publication			
ActF	Single or first author publication	3	Confirmation of receipt
ActF	Co-author		[0.5 - 2] Confirmation of receipt; for >0.5 points, explanation from advisor
Acceptance of a peer-reviewed scientific publication			
ActF	Single or first author publication	2	Confirmation of acceptance
ActF	Co-author		[0.5 - 1] Confirmation of acceptance; for >0.5 points, explanation from advisor
Non peer-reviewed scientific publication			
ActF	Acceptance of publication, depending on authorship(s) and level		[0.5 - 2] Confirmation of acceptance; for >0.5 points, explanation from advisor

Community service and other activities			
GSGS	Active member of GSGS Doctoral Council for 1 year	5	Re-election possible
GSGS	Doctoral candidate representative on StCom for 1 term	5	Re-election possible once
GSGS	Peer mentoring (for 1 year)	5	(in preparation)
ActF	Substantial outreach activities (e.g. school visits, open days, media)		[0.5 - 2] Url or confirmation from the organiser. If not available, explanation from advisor
ActF	Peer-review of a scientific publication	2	Confirmation letter from editor
ActF	organising conference / symposium / workshop / summer school with significant outside attendance		[0.5 - 5] Url or or programme with your name. If not available and for >0.5 points, explanation from advisor
ActF	leading a session at a conference/symposium		
ActF	(co-)organising an <u>extracurricular</u> excursions		[0.5 - 2]
ActF	[other community service or other relevant activities on request]		[0.5 - 2] Url or confirmation from the organiser. If not available and for >0.5 points, explanation from advisor
ActF	Guidance of a Bachelor study	no points (just listed on GSGS certificate)	Title page of BSc Thesis and confirmation from advisor
ActF	Guidance of a Master study	no points (just listed on GSGS certificate)	Title page of MSc Thesis and confirmation from advisor

Compulsory activities			
GSGS	Attend full GSGS induction module	2	For these activities you cannot use the Activity Report. They are logged in the GSGS after you report them by e-mail to gradschool-geosci@uni-koeln.de
GSGS	Present poster at a GSGS Research Conference	2	
GSGS	Form a Thesis Advisory Committee (TAC)	0	
GSGS	Sign Supervision Agreement with your TAC within the first 3 months and submit it to the GSGS Office	0	
GSGS	Write and submit a detailed research plan to your TAC within the first 6 months	0	
GSGS	Write and submit Progress Reports to your TAC (every 9 months)	0	
GSGS	Hold regular TAC meetings (c. 2 weeks after Research Plan or Progress Report)	0	
GSGS	Submit TAC Feedback Forms & Research Plan or Reports to GSGS office within two weeks after TAC meeting	0	

*) The final decision on the exact number of GSGS points to be awarded for a particular activity lies with the GSGS Steering Committee